Maid servant in the custody of French authorities

1572. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the maid servant of one of our officials in Indian Embassy at Paris is still in the custody of French authorities;

(b) if so, what is being done to bring her back;

(c) if not, where is she now; and

(d) whether any inquiry has been made in this case and what are the findings thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) The maid servant of one of our officials in the Indian Embassy at Paris is in the care of French authorities.

(b) to (d) Government have taken up the matter with the French Government. However, the matter is sub-judice with the French courts.

Enquiry report from Government of Nepal on hijacking incident

1573. DR. GOPALRAO VITHALRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Nepalese Government had conducted an inquiry into airport security in Kathmandu regarding hijacking of an Indian airlines plane;

(b) if so, whether Pakistan has asked Nepal for a copy of its inquiry report for revealing important clues on hijacking;

(c) whether Government have also asked for the inquiry report;

(d) if so, whether the same has been received and the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) to (e) His Majesty's Government of Nepal had constituted a five-member highlevel committee headed by former Inspector General of Police, Hem Bahadur Singh, on December 25, 1999 to investigate security-related issues at the Tribhuvan International Airport following the hijacking of Indian Airlines flight IC-814 on